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Congress of the United States
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The Honorable Kay Granger
Chairwoman
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
Washington, DC 20515

The Honorable Rosa L DeLauro
Ranking Member
House Committee on Appropriations
U.S. House of Representatives
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Dear Chairwoman Granger and Ranking Member DeLauro:

I am requesting \$1,500,000 in funding for the **University of Texas at Dallas Center for Secure and Trustworthy Artificial Intelligence** project in fiscal year 2024. The entity to receive funding for this project is **The University of Texas at Dallas** located at 800 W. Campbell Road, Richardson, TX 75080.

The funding would be used to support two research scientists, and six research assistants for three years and three high end computers needed to test these complex AI models.

The project is an appropriate use of taxpayer funds because the security and privacy implications of emerging AI models have not been explored in depth and understood. To address this challenge, the proposed center will work on rigorously testing existing and emerging AI models and develop new protective AI models that can guard against potentially malicious use.

The project has a federal nexus because the funding provided is for purposes described in section 272 of title 15, United States Code.

I certify that I have no financial interest in this project, and neither does anyone in my immediate family.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to read "Colin Allred".

Colin Allred
Member of Congress